

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings of claims in the application.

Listing Of Claims:

1-5. Cancelled.

6. (Currently Amended) An image pickup apparatus comprising:

an image pickup unit which obtains original image data;

an image processing unit which generates, in an imaging process of the original image data, first reduced image data, second reduced image data for enlargement display process of enlarging and displaying a part of the first reduced image data and thumbnail data from the original image data obtained by said image pickup unit, wherein the second reduced image data is larger than the first reduced image and the first image data is larger than the thumbnail data;

an image file generation unit which generates, in an imaging process of the original image data, an image file by storing the original image data, the first reduced image data corresponding to the original image data, the second reduced image data corresponding to the original image data and the thumbnail data of the original image data into one image file;

an interface unit which writes the image file generated by said image file generation means in a recording medium and reads out the image file from the recording medium;

a display unit which displays the first reduced image data and the second reduced image data stored in the image file read out from the recording medium by said interface unit; and

a control unit which controls said display unit, in response to an instruction of enlarging part of the first reduced image data displayed by said display unit, so as to select a part of the second reduced image data and to display the selected part of the second reduced image data stored in the image file which stores the first reduced image data and is read out from the recording medium by said interface unit instead of the first reduced image data.

7. (Previously Presented) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 6, wherein said image processing unit compresses the original image data and the first reduced image data in accordance with the same image compressing method.

8. Cancelled.

9. (Previously Presented) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 6, wherein said image processing unit compresses the first reduced image data and the second reduced image data in accordance with the same image compression method.

10. (Previously Presented) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 6, further comprising a plurality of image display modes,

wherein said control unit is capable of starting the enlargement display process even if any of the plurality of the image display modes is selected.

11. (Previously Presented) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the plurality of image display modes include an image display mode for displaying one image stored in the removable memory on the display unit.

12. (Previously Presented) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the plurality of image display modes include an image display mode for displaying four images stored in the removable memory on the display unit.

13. (Previously Presented) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the plurality of image display modes include an image display mode for displaying nine images stored in the removable memory on the display unit.

14. (Previously Presented) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the plurality of image display modes include an image display mode for displaying one image stored in the removable memory and information relating to the image on the display unit.

15. (Previously Presented) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the image pickup apparatus is a digital camera.